



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Russell F. Durgin et al

Serial No.: 09/956,902

Filed: September 2, 2001

For: "Apparatus and Method for Compressing Body Tissue"

Docket No.: H-TBK

Group: 3731

Examiner: G. Jackson

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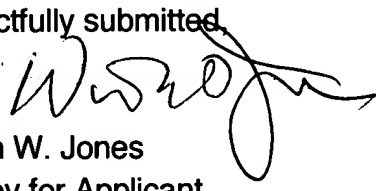
Dear Sir:

A first office action dealing with the above application was issued on September 17, 2003 and was sent to Kenyon and Kenyon. Kenyon and Kenyon no longer represent the owners of the subject application. This application has been assigned to Ovesco Endoscopy GmbH, and the assignee has directed that the USPTO direct all further correspondence relating to this application to the undersigned by means of a power of attorney signed by a director of the assignee on September 26, 2002.

A request under 35 CFR §3.73 has also been filed by the undersigned. The necessary documents were received in the USPTO on November 1, 2002, as evidenced by copies of date stamped postcards from the USPTO. Copies of the above referenced documents are enclosed for the Examiner's files.

The undersigned respectfully requests that the Examiner reissue the office action and mail it to the undersigned as directed by the assignee of this application.

Respectfully submitted,


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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a copy of an assignment, two copies of a Form PTO-1595, and a power of attorney, for use in connection with the recordal of an assignment of the above-identified patent application.

Our check in the amount of \$40.00 is enclosed in payment of the recordal fee.

Respectfully submitted.

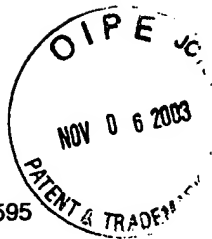
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Name: Ovesco Endoscolpy GmbH

Address: Waldhornlestrasse 22, 72072 Tübingen, Germany

Additional name(s) of conveying parties attached? () Yes (X) No Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? () Yes (X) No

3. Nature of conveyance:

(X) Assignment

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4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

A. Patent Application No.(s): 09/956,902

B. Patent No.(s):

If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date(s) of the application is (are):

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5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Name: William W. Jones

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6. Total number of applications and patents involved:

1

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41): \$40.00

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To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS, INC., a corporation of the State of Minnesota, having offices at One SCIMED Place, Maple Grove, Minnesota 55311-1566 owns the entire right, title and interest as assignee, as recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Reel 12890, Frame 898 of United States Patent Application No.: 09/956,902, filed September 21, 2001 (referred to hereinafter as "Patent Rights"); and

WHEREAS, Ovesco Endoscopy GmbH, a corporation of Germany, having offices at Waldhörnlestraße 22, 72072 Tübingen, desires to obtain the entire right, title and interest in, to and under said Patent Rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to it in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS, INC. has sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said Ovesco Endoscopy GmbH, its successors, and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said Patent Rights, and all future patent applications claiming rights thereto, and all patents, reissues and extensions thereof.

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY covenants that he (she) has the full right to convey the interest assigned and that he (she) has not executed, and will not execute, any instrument in conflict herewith.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his (her) hand and seal on the day and year set opposite his (her) signature.

for SCIMED LIFE
SYSTEMS, INC., by:
(print name and title):

Robert M. Rauker
Robert M. Rauker, Director

Date: 9/18/02



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ASSIGNEE POWER OF ATTORNEY

Ovesco Endoscopy GmbH (Assignee) is the assignee of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/956,902, filed September 21, 2001. A copy of the assignment of the subject application is attached hereto. Assignee hereby appoints the following attorney(s) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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All previous powers of attorney in this application are hereby canceled.

Ovesco Endoscopy GmbH, by:

X Marc O. Schurr, (print title) Managing Director
(print name)

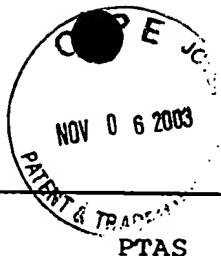
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BRIEF: ASSIGNMENT OF ASSIGNOR'S INTEREST (SEE DOCUMENT FOR DETAILS).

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REQUEST UNDER 35 CFR §3.73

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a request by the present assignee, Ovesco Endoscopy GmbH, of the above-identified patent application, to assume further prosecution of the subject patent application. The assignment of this application from Scimed Life Systems, Inc. to Ovesco Endoscopy GmbH is enclosed herewith. This assignment is presently being recorded in the USPTO. The enclosed assignment shows the chain of title from the inventors to Scimed Life Systems, Inc. and thence to Ovesco Endoscopy GmbH. A power of attorney in favor of the undersigned is also enclosed herewith. Ovesco Endoscopy GmbH respectfully requests that all further correspondence relating to this application be directed to the undersigned attorney, as indicated in the enclosed power of attorney.

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